

Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

Re: Reality™ Female Condom Docket No. 93E-0290

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Stephen G. Kunin
Deputy Assistant Commissioner for
Patent Policy and Projects
Office of the Assistant Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Dear Mr. Kunin:

This is in regard to the patent term extension application for U.S. Patent No. 4,735,621 filed by Chartex International Plc under 35 U.S.C. § 156. The patent claims the medical device Reality<sup>TM</sup> Female Condom, PMA P910064.

In the June 14, 1994 issue of the <u>Federal Register</u> (59 Fed. Reg. 30,597), the Food and Drug Administration published its determination of this product's regulatory review period, as required under 35 U.S.C. § 156(d)(2)(A). The notice provided that on or before December 12, 1994, 180 days after the publication of the determination, any interested person could file a petition with FDA under 35 U.S.C. § 156(d)(2)(B)(i) for a determination of whether the patent term extension applicant acted with due diligence during the regulatory review period.

The 180-day period for filing a due diligence petition pursuant to this notice has expired and FDA has received no such petition. Therefore, FDA considers the regulatory review period determination to be final.

Please let me know if we can provide further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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Director

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